

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to an Office Action issued in the above-identified application on November 25, 2008.

It is respectfully submitted that upon detailed review of the above Office Action it was found that one of the references cited therein, namely, U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0268718, has the earliest filing date of March 7, 2005, while the instant application, which was filed under 35 USC 371, has the earliest filing date of November 25, 2004, which is the International Filing Date.

As such it respectfully requested that the rejection based on the above-mentioned prior art be withdrawn and a new Office Action be issued in the application.

The above matter was discussed in details with the Examiner ELFERVIG over the phone by the applicant's attorney. .

Respectfully submitted  
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